

Haig Presses on for St. Quentin; Moves Forward in Flanders

By the Associated Press.
LONDON, September 21.—Further steps forward have been taken by the British on the Flanders front. Field Marshal Haig's statement today announces the improvement of the British position west of Meuse, where a strong point was captured.

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Huns Fight Fiercely to Keep Foch From Chemin-des-Dames

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WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE, September 20.—The progress of Gen. Mangin's army toward the western extremity of the Chemin-des-Dames has driven the enemy to violent reactions. Five vigorous counter attacks were made last night against the new French positions east of the Moisy farm and north of Alenent.

In every one of these unsuccessful assaults the Germans lost heavily. The French troops have thus maintained all gains made in this region and have succeeded in reaching their new position. Only about three-quarters of a mile of ground now separates the French from the height on which stands the ruins of Fort Maunsel.

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OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS.

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September 21.—On the occasion of the hostile attack on Meuse, on Tuesday a corporal and six men of the Highland light infantry, forming the vanguard of one of the British divisions, were surrounded and believed to have been captured. During the two days which the Germans were in occupation of Meuse this party maintained its position with great gallantry and inflicted many casualties. On the night of Thursday-Friday, when Meuse was retaken, the whole party regained its unit without loss.

Yesterday fresh attacks against our posts north of Meuse were repulsed. In the evening the enemy heavily bombarded our positions in the neighborhood of Gauche wood, and under cover of this bombardment pressed back slightly one of our advanced posts north of the wood.

Throughout the night the German infantry made determined attempts with flame throwers and bombs to drive in our positions in the locality of Ypres. These attempts were repulsed after hard fighting.

In the night our line was advanced slightly northwest of Bellefleur. This morning fighting recommenced in the sector east of Epehy.

We improved our position slightly during the night west of Meuse, capturing a German strong point and several prisoners. Progress was made by us southeast of Ypres.

September 20.—During this morning Scottish troops completed the capture of Meuse. The enemy was repulsed and a party of the enemy who were still holding out in the village.

The morning after the capture of Meuse, the enemy delivered a strong local attack on our positions northwest of Hulluch. The attack was repulsed and a number of prisoners were left in our hands.

English troops carried out successfully minor operations northwest of Labasse this morning, advancing their front by a distance of more than two and a half miles as far as the villages of Rue Du Marais and La Basse. The enemy was repulsed and a number of prisoners were left in our hands.

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In local operations at Meuse and in the Havincourt wood we made prisoners. In Meuse we blew up numerous enemy shelters.

On the battlefield early in the morning there was a vigorous firing engagement. Strong counter attacks which the enemy several times repeated against Goussacourt and on both sides of Epehy were repulsed. Here the Bavarian and Prussian rifles distinguished themselves.

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MEMBERS OF FRANCE'S FAMOUS FOREIGN LEGION ARRIVE TO BOOST LIBERTY LOAN.



FIGHTERS OF NEARLY EVERY NATIONALITY HAVE ARRIVED IN WASHINGTON AS GUESTS OF THE LIBERTY LOAN COMMITTEE. RICH AND POOR, LORD AND PEASANT, THESE FELLOWS FOUGHT VALIANTLY UNDER THE FRENCH FLAG.

TEACHERS DROP OUT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board Accepts Resignations of Fifty, Largely Due to Inadequate Pay.

Resignations of fifty white teachers in the public schools of Washington were accepted by the board of education at its meeting in the Franklin School today. Inadequate pay, unsatisfactory living conditions and desire for wider fields of service were the reasons given for the resignations.

Supt. Thurston declared the board was confronted with a very difficult problem. To fill the places of the quitting teachers, the superintendent said, it was necessary to take every available normal school girl and to supplement these with young women recently come to Washington who have had some teaching experience.

The superintendent said hundreds of teachers in the white schools would resign at once if they were not restrained by patriotic considerations from so doing.

Actuated by Patriotic Duty. "The young women and the young men who are sticking to their posts," said Supt. Thurston, "are doing so because they believe it to be their duty to stand by the school. They can get larger pay in other fields, but they realize that to embarrass the schools and make more difficult the acquisition of an education by the children would be to that extent to lower the intellectual standards of the District."

Supt. Thurston said the standard set for the school teacher in Washington is high. It is the aim of the board to keep it high, but with the continual loss of instructors there is no guarantee that it will not in the near future be lowered. There is nothing in the nature of a strike or a boycott, he said. They simply resign, it was explained.

Depletion of Graded Schools. "Often children in the grade schools leave their education unfinished, to take positions which pay them higher salaries than their teachers are allowed," said Supt. Thurston. "The teachers know this and they feel it keenly. They know that an untrained child will be a burden to the community. Plans of an elaborate nature have been drawn to enable the Royal Arcanum council all over the country to take an active part in the bond selling."

The grand regent is each state jurisdiction has been appointed state chairman of the Washington Liberty Loan Committee, and the entire membership of the order has been organized into a unit for pushing the drive.

Mr. McAdoo Sets Day for Women to Aid Loan. In recognition of the war work being done by millions of American women, Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has designated Saturday, October 5, for observance in the fourth Liberty Loan campaign as "Women in War Work day."

"The women of America," Secretary McAdoo said, "are doing their share in the winning of the war, both by actual hard work and by the tremendous force of their moral influence. It is fitting that their service should be memorialized."

Mr. McAdoo said 700,000 women were actively engaged in the organization of the national women's liberty loan committee.

WOMEN IN FIGHT, CHARGE. A Shaved Thumb and Three Pistol Shots Features, Police Say. Maggie Johnson, colored, 1230 Union Court southwest, according to police of the fourth precinct, used a revolver on the streets yesterday afternoon, shooting at Little King, also colored, who lives at 332 K street southwest.

The women were near 4 1/2 and 1/2 streets southwest when they had the encounter. The Johnson woman, it is charged fired three shots, none of them taking effect. A struggle for possession of the weapon followed, and Maggie Johnson's left thumb was bitten.

Her wound was dressed at Casualty Hospital before she was locked up. She was charged with assault with a dangerous weapon.

Advance Nineteen Miles. "Neatly a strong cavalry force of British, Indian and Italian troops moving northward on the coastal plain had seized the road junction at Ladeira, near the coast, from the point of departure by midday."

East of the Jordan a strong detachment of Arab troops of the king of the Hedjaz descending from the Turkish railways on the Bechara-Tenietown road, leading north, south and west from that center.

Naval units co-operated with our advanced troops in clearing the coastal roads with their guns. By 8 p.m. of the 19th more than 8,000 prisoners had passed through our lines, and many more were reported as not having been counted. Large quantities of material have been taken.

Arrangements at Stations. These stations will be thrown open beginning Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. A corps of thirty lawyers will be on duty at each station, and the direction of the lieutenant, to help registrants in filling out their questionnaires.

The police precinct legal advisory stations will be open each day during the first week of the registration, from 10 o'clock in the afternoon until 10 o'clock at night.

Five all-day stations will be in operation at the city post office, District building, Public Library, New Central High School and the Emory building.

An afternoon and evening station will be placed in the Sherwood Avenue Church, Rhode Island avenue, extended, under charge of H. Winship Wheatley, lieutenant.

St. Anthony's Church, 12th and Lawrence streets northwest, will be a legal advisory station.

In addition to legal advisers already announced for the various government departments and bureaus, two new lieutenants were selected today, as follows: Library of Congress—H. A. Howell. Fuel administration—H. R. Bacon.

COURTESIES SHOWN TO FIGHTING LEGION

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Window Cards for Display. All business firms or organizations 75 per cent or more of whose employees or members subscribe to the fourth loan will be furnished a cardboard emblem for display in their windows, this emblem to indicate the percentage attained by that organization. Each institution will be permitted to purchase through its local liberty loan committee this permanent cloth liberty loan honor pennant with its final standing indicated thereon.

The total number of subscribers to the third liberty loan exceeded 13,000. The employment of this intensive competitive campaign, with the community honor flag and the industrial honor pennant, is expected to bring the total number of subscribers to 25,000 or more.

Both the honor flag and the honor pennant designs have been registered in the patent office and all rights thereto assigned to the Secretary of the Treasury, so that they may not be reproduced or used by any one without specific permission from the liberty loan executive committees of the various federal reserve districts.

"Gasless" Sunday Bars Raised in Loan Service. Passenger automobiles used for promoting the liberty loan campaign, which begins next Saturday, may be used Sundays without violating the spirit of the automobile Sunday restriction. Fuel Administrator Garfield announced today.

"There is nothing of greater national importance than the success of this loan," said Mr. Garfield, "and there is nothing in the letter or the spirit of the 'gasless Sunday' request which interferes in any way with the use of automobiles Sundays to promote the success of the loan."

It is suggested that cars so used be identified by placards or posters with the inscription "On liberty loan business."

Royal Arcanum Enlists Membership for Loan. During the coming fourth liberty loan drive all the resources of the Royal Arcanum will be devoted to furthering the success of the government's bond issue. Plans of an elaborate nature have been drawn to enable the Royal Arcanum council all over the country to take an active part in the bond selling.

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Board Members Meet. Members of the eleven local boards of the city met in closed session with Commissioner Brown today to go over various problems of the task confronting them in handling the questionnaires of the new registrants.

Government employees in the District of Columbia who are necessary for the service and effective operation of the service in which they are engaged may be granted deferred classification under the selective service law, Provost Marshal General Crowder has announced. In each case the registrant or his superior officer must make claim for such deferment.

G. I. CHRISTIE NOMINATED ASSISTANT SECRETARY. G. I. Christie of Indiana was nominated today by President Wilson to be assistant secretary of agriculture.

Twelve Air Fatalities in Week. Twelve deaths from airplane accidents at Army aviation fields throughout the country during the week ending September 14 are reported by the War Department.

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Attacking over a front sixteen miles in length, the allies have virtually overrun the whole Turkish defensive system along the Mediterranean seacoast. Railroad junctions have been taken and cavalry is operating in the rear of Turkish forces which are holding the line eastward of the front where the attack was launched. These enemy units are prevented from retreating eastward by the hostility of Hejaz tribes beyond the Jordan, and they face a serious problem in making their way back to safety along the western bank of that historic stream.

More than three thousand prisoners have been captured by the allies, who have also taken great quantities of war materials.

British Report of Victory. LONDON, September 20.—The text of the official communication dealing with the operations in Palestine issued by the war office tonight follows: "During the night of September 19 (18) our troops commenced a general attack on the front between the Jordan and the sea. East of the Jerusalem-Nablus road British and Indian troops advanced successfully and intercepted the Turkish road communication leading southeast from Nablus."

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